

# Quote

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## MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Mme CHIANG KAI-SHEK, *addressing American Legion convention*: "We Chinese will not be slaves long. This I promise you. We shall unloosen our shackles. For there are countless living and determined heroes on the mainland, as well as on Formosa. . . China will be free, and so will the world!". . . [2] Statement on "faith and order" finally emerging from World Council of Christian Churches, meeting in Evanston, Ill: "We speak as those who have met together and have known for a fact that we have been given a 'oneness in Christ' in spite of our 'disunity as churches.'". . . [3] Dr LOTHAR KREYSSIG, E German delegate to World Council of Churches, *describing strain of German disunity*: "We feel like a sick man who hears from his doctor that as a treatment his wounds are to be kept open.". . . [4] ROBT MURRAY, U S Undersec'y of State: "It is not an exaggeration to say that never before has American military power been so

### Quote of the Week

PRES DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, *addressing nat'l convention of American Legion, in Washington*: "No responsible individual, no political party, wants war, or wants to damage America. The only treasonable party we have is the Communist conspiracy — happily very small."

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great relative to that of any avowed or prospective enemy.". . . [5] Rep GEO BENDER (R-O): "I think the principal appeal of the Republicans is that the Eisenhower administration has brought the country prosperity without bloodshed. (*Sentiment echoed in almost precisely same words by chmn of Young Republican Nat'l Federation, indicating "prosperity without bloodshed" may become campaign theme.*) . . . [6] Rep SAM RAYBURN (D-Tex) *defining a depression*: "A man who has had a job and loses it is in a depression."

FOURTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



With September, election campaigning will begin in earnest. As we have several times said, elections are likely to be determined by local issues. But already a broad pattern of distinction is developing between the 2 parties along economic lines. Republicans will stress their moves toward "getting Gov't out of business"; a ret'n to "private initiative." Democrats will counter with assertion that the Administration is favoring "big business."

Both positions can be shaped to sound quite plausible. A primary plank in the Republican platform of '52 was, you will recall, a pledge to reduce Gov't intervention in the nat'l economy. As Gov't steps out, private business will inevitably fill the gap. And the business is more likely to be "big" than small. But, assert the Republicans, a modern large business enterprise is a collection of

multiplied thousands of small stockholders. And, besides, in its moves to stimulate private enterprise, the Administration is helping all business, big and small alike.

Nevertheless, slighting references by the opposition to the encroachment of "big business" and "the interests" will have their effect. Some citizens have faith in Bureaucracy; others prefer to take their chances with Business.

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Labor unions will be coming more into the news in next few mo's. For one thing you may expect increased activity at the state level. Unions will lobby state legislatures to repeal adverse laws; will seek to prevent passage of bills deemed inimicable to interests of organized labor. Obvious trend with Fed'l gov't delegating more authority to states.

Another factor: Growing restiveness within labor groups. Some new alignments indicated. Note informal working alliance between Teamsters, Coal and Steel. Washington, with some lexicographical license, refers to this as the FFL, or Fantom Federation of Labor.



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*Charles F. Johnson*



#### AGE—1

It is far better to say, at the close of life, "I have lived," than merely, "I am ninety." — Dr H SPENCER LEWIS, "A Glass House Existence," *Rosicrucian Digest*, 8-'54.

#### AMERICA—2

Much is said about what Americans stand for. Equally important are the things Americans won't stand for.—*Sunshine Mag.*

#### ATOMIC AGE—3

The outcome of a world war with atomic and hydrogen bombs will not be one Rome, but two Carthages. — ROBT M HUTCHINS, *Public Opinion Quarterly*.

#### BEHAVIOR—4

More and more clearly every day, out of biology, anthropology, sociology, history, economic analysis, psychological insight, plain human decency and common sense, the necessary mandate of survival that we shall love all our neighbors as we do ourselves, is being confirmed and reaffirmed.—ORDWAY TEAD, *Good Business*.

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Two young children blt a clubhouse in their yd. On the wall, in childish lettering is a list of club rules. No 1 rule reads: "Nobody act big, nobody act small, everybody act medium."—*Voice of Youth*, published by Slovene Nat'l Benefit Soc'y.

#### CHILDREN—5

It is horrifying to speculate on what the children of the next generation will have to do to shock their parents. — *Changing Times*.

#### CHURCH—Membership—6

A century ago, 84% of the people of the U S belonged to no church at all. Today nearly 6 out of 10—59½%—are church mbrs. More than 2 million Americans joined some church in 1953, setting a record-breaking total of 94,842,845 church mbrs. . . In all, there are almost 56 million American Protestants and more than 31 million Roman Catholics. Mbrs of Jewish congregations total 5 million. There are about 2½ million followers of the Eastern Orthodox church. Small scattered groups make up the remainder.—*Yearbook of American Churches*.

#### COMMUNISM—7

During a Congressional Committee hearing, Ohio Congressman Wayne L Hodges quoted 3 passages to a congressional investigator and asked whether they seemed subversive. The reply: "They parallel communistic or socialistic literature very closely." Authors of the quotations: Popes Leo XIII and Pius XI.—Editorial, *Public Relations Jnl*.

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Recent session of Congress was history-making in number of attempts to amend the U S Constitution. (In 165 yrs the Constitution has been amended only 22 times.) This yr 6 amendments had floor tests altho none had final action. Senate approved 4, but House failed to act on any of them.

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Rep Walter Rogers (D-Tex) who's still in town, said he took a look at the daily statement of the U S Treasury the other day. "It reminded me," said Rogers, "of the man who asked another what he would do if he had all the money in the world. 'Well,' was the response, 'I'd use it to pay my debts—as far as it would go.'"

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In the last few days of any session of Congress, many mbrs load the *Congressional Record* with speeches praising their home states as ideal vacation spots. Sen Eugene Millikin (R-Colo) delivered an oration about the "grandeurs of the majestic snow-capped mountain peaks" of his state. "Colorado," he said, "is one mile nearer to Heaven than most of the rest of the country. And some sinners will need that extra mile." He paused briefly. "Not sinners around here, of course," he concluded.

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Cocktail circuit gossips that Fleur Cowles, of Look and the late Flair, will be given a diplomatic assignment.

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## DEMOCRACY—8

Democracy isn't a case of counting heads instead of breaking them—it's using them.—Quoted in *Public Relations Jnl.*

## ECONOMY—9

Whatever became of the retail clothier who invited his customers to walk up a flight of stairs and save \$10?—*Advertising Age.*

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Economy has at least this to be said in its favor: it leaves you with an appetite. Not to want more is to lose half the enjoyment of Life.—T B CLEGG, *Lifetime Living.*

## EDUCATION—10

Education which is simply intellectual taxidermy—the scooping out of the mind and the stuffing in of facts—is worthless. The human mind is not a deep-freeze for storage but a forge for production; it must be supplied with fuel, fired, and properly shaped.—Fr WM A DONAGHY, pres, Holy Cross (Mass) Univ.

## FAITH—11

The beginning of anxiety is the end of faith, and the beginning of true faith is the end of anxiety.—GEO MULLER, *Signs of the Times.*

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Faith is blended with the baby's first food. — RALPH W SOCKMAN, *Sabbath Recorder.*

## FEAR—12

He who says he has never known fear is afraid to face the truth, for in one way or another, every human being has known some degree of fear in his lifetime.—JANET KEMPTON, "Are You Afraid?" *Rosicrucian Fellowship Mag.*, 9-'54.

# Mining the Magazines



*Journal of Living* (Sep) presents a number of rather surprising statistics on accidents involving automobiles. One thing that may give you a turn: As a pedestrian, your chance of encountering a fatal accident is greater in a quiet neighborhood than in congested traffic. (Downtown traffic is better regulated; cars move at slower speed; and people are more careful when they cross streets!)

As *The Father of the Bride* pointed out to us here awhile back, getting married can involve quite a production. And *Bride's Magazine*, currently celebrating its 20th anniv, points out that the "upsurge in weddings will continue thru the next 20 yrs." During the past 15 yrs about 50 million babies were born in this country. By '55 there will be 17 million marriageable girls in the U S. Statistics show only 5% will remain single.

Ever since tinted windshields came into vogue, there have been arguments as to whether such glass affects vision at night sufficiently to create a hazard. Now *Archives of Ophthalmology* presents results of an intensive study, conducted under controlled conditions. Findings are rather complicated to present in limited space, but net conclusion is that vision is markedly impaired by use of colored glass under night-driving conditions.

*Nostalgic note:* We glean a rep't from *Popular Mechanics* that the famous buffalo-hide winter coats worn for many yrs by Canada's Royal Mounted Police are being supplanted by nylon parkas.

TV Guide, the nat'l television wkly, is now being distributed extensively thru independent and chain supermkts and grocery stores. Heretofore this field has been pretty well restricted to household jnls. Guide now ranks 3rd in single copy sales; hopes thru its stronghold in food stores to eventually attract food advertisers.

Curtis Publishing Co (thru subsidiary, Curtis Circulation Co) will invade the tv field this fall with a 15-ct wkly, aimed to compete directly with Triangle's *TV Guide*. Circulation, initially, will be confined to the East. Will carry local and nat'l advertising.

What's happened to polo? John Houghton Allen (a former professional) suggests in *Holiday* (Sep) one practical reason why there are fewer players: To play the game properly today costs a high-goal player \$100,000!

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The U S is a country of constant starvation. No matter what the harvest is, there are always tens of millions of people who can never get enough to eat. . . Children of the American poor, who constitute at least 3/4 of the population, have only the freedom to dream of schools and grow up uneducated and illiterate; education is too expensive. Freedom in the American way does not even allow the ordinary American to take a walk where he likes!—Moscow Radio Broadcast.



#### **GOD—and Man—13**

Russia has abolished God but so far God has been more tolerant. — JOHN CAMERON SWAYZEE, news commentator on radio and television.

#### **HISTORY—14**

When a panel of 28 historians, educators and journalists recently rated the 100 most significant events in history to publicize a new history book, the Crucifixion of Christ was placed 4th.

First place was Columbus' discovery of America; 2nd: Gutenberg's development of movable type. Eleven events tied for 3rd place. And occupying 4th with the Crucifixion was the U S Constitution, the discovery of ether as an anesthetic, the use of X-rays, and the Wright brothers 1st plane flight.—*Christian Life*.

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#### **INTELLIGENCE—15**

The test of your intelligence is your ability to take hold of your own life just as it is.—JOY ELMER MORGAN, *Rosicrucian Fellowship*.

#### **LANGUAGE—16**

Every person should be judged by his intent and not by his accent.—JOS SCHROFF, *High Points*.

#### **LIFE—Living—17**

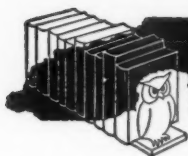
Living life is like cutting an image from a block of raw marble. One must dream out the beauty, then cut it from the stone. A false stroke may spoil it—and one has no right to spoil it. When finished, a life, like a statue, is the realized image of a dream. An institution, an empire, an achievement, a work of art—each is but the sculptured picture of an ideal.—CLARENCE E FLYNN, *You*.

#### **MARRIAGE—Divorce—18**

I have been told that a divorce suit in Austria may involve the appearance in court of 3 legal representatives — counsel for the husband, counsel for the wife, and counsel for the marriage. The marriage, that is to say, is recognized as an entity having value in itself and deserving to be represented.—DAVID R MACE, "What Is a Marriage Counselor?" *Marriage and Family Living*.

#### **NOISE—19**

One of the worst features of civilization is the increasing noise it produces. If Mother Nature were on the job, she would be evolving earldis for human beings.—*Grit*.



## Book Briefs

Ever since Frederic Wakeman wrote *The Hucksters*, his satire of "big advertising," there has been a succession of similarly-based novels, each far more daring and far less devastating than the original. Now we have *The Agency Game*, published in London last month by Weidenfeld & Nicolson, and billed as "the 1st complete English advertising novel." It follows pretty much the familiar pattern (completely alien to competent advertising craftsmen) and is not to be outdone in audacity by anything America has offered.

Martha Foley, editor these many yrs of the annual volume, *Best American Short Stories*, complains that nowadays "a good short story about an ordinary normal adult is practically non-existent." She doesn't know why authors aren't writing in that vein today unless maybe it is that "we are afraid of the present."

Readers of *Battle Cry* may note a slight variation in the movie version, when it presently comes to town. In Leon Uris' novel the hero, a marine pfc, has an affair with a navy officer's wife. On the screen he still philanders, but with the wife of a dollar-a-yr man. Matter of protocol. An enlisted man must not adventure above his rank!

"I once overheard a desultory conversation about pessimism between 2 Russians; nothing was solved—and my business is to rep't the conversation exactly as I heard it. . . The time has come for writers . . . to admit that in this world one cannot make anything out, just as Socrates once admitted it, just as Voltaire admitted it."—*The Personal Papers of Anton Chekhov*, translated by CONSTANCE GARNETT (Lear).

Well, we hear that the comic book publishers, wan and weary from their battles with the P T A and the Legion of Decency, are looking for a censor. They want "a prominent jurist to serve—probably at a salary of \$40,000 a yr, to remove him from suspicion of bribes—as judge of what should be published."

Simon & Schuster have a new twist for the second *This I Believe* (due Oct 15). Collection will include 28 credos of great men of the past "ghosted for them by some of the most distinguished writers of the present." Gilbert Murray speaks for Socrates, Will Durant for Confucius, etc.

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"... an endless series  
of experiments"

On Oct 2 we mark the 85th anniv of the birth of MOHANDAS K GANDHI, Hindu spiritual leader, and champion of freedom for India. (He was assassinated by a Hindu fanatic at New Delhi, on Jan 30, '48.)

In this excerpt, the Mahatma ("Great Soul") explains the reasons (little understood in the West) for his celebrated fast at Delhi:

I believe in the absolute oneness of God, and therefore also of humanity. . . The rays of the sun are many thru refraction. But they have the same source. . . Whether, therefore, I will or not, I must involve in my own experiment the whole of my kind. Nor can I do without experiment. Life is but an endless series of experiments.

I knew that Non-Co-operation was a dangerous experiment. Non-Co-operation in itself is unnatural, vicious and sinful. But Non-Violent Non-Co-operation, I am convinced, is a sacred duty at times. I have proved it in many cases. But there was every possibility of mistake in its application to large masses. But desperate diseases call for desperate remedies. Non-Violent Non-Co-operation was the only alternative to anarchy and worse. Since it was to be Non-Violent, I had to put my life in the scales.

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#### ORIGIN—Minutes—20

Official records of the proceedings of mtgs were originally called minutes because they were recorded in minute or small writing and later transcribed in a larger hand.—*Voice of Youth*, published by Slovene Nat'l Benefit Soc'y.

#### PERSPECTIVE—21

Recently Sam Levenson told one of his warm stories of family life in which he describes his father towing six or seven small Levensons, chained hand to hand, thru a museum. Suddenly, in irritation at the slowness of their progress thru the halls, the father says, "Look, kids, if you're gonna stop and look at everything, you ain't gonna see nothin'." If we look shallowly at a great deal, we are apt to remember very little.—STUART STENGEL, "What is the High School Teacher of English Doing About Television?" *English Jnl*, 9-'54.

#### POLITICS—22

"Political economy" are 2 words that should be divorced on the grounds of incompatibility.—*Venetian Blind News*.

#### PROFIT—23

Today's profits are yesterday's good will ripened. — *Lipton Mag*, hm, Thos J Lipton Inc.

#### PROGRESS—24

In business today, we move thru committees. And when a committee meets an impasse, we appoint a subcommittee. We call that progress. — Rev Father BERNARD MAILHOIT, O P Prof, Institut de Psychologie, Universite de Mont-real, in recent speech on "Group Dynamics in Public Relations."



# Pathways to the Past



Week of  
Sep 26-Oct 2

**Christian Education Wk**  
**National Newspaper Wk (Oct 1-8)**  
**Red Feather Month (Oct 1-31)**

**Sep 26—Gold Star Mother's Day.** . . . The Fed'l Trade Commission, formed 40 yrs ago (1914) gave the Gov't a "big stick" to curb industry abuses (by regulation of interstate commerce). . . Stricken by heart attack, Pres Woodrow Wilson collapsed 35 yrs ago (1919) during futile cross-country speaking tour to drum up support for the League of Nations (spirit and health broken, he saw U S shun League, died in 1924).

**Sep 27—205 yrs ago (1749)** Washington and Lee Univ began as Augusta Academy, was renamed later for Geo Washington, added "Lee" after the death of its pres, Rob't E Lee (it was all in the family, too, since Lee had married Martha Washington's great granddaughter).

**Sep 28—Rosh Hashonah** (Hebrew New Year—28th, 29th). . . The vote of one stubborn patriot 180 yrs ago (1774) killed a Continental Congress bill rejecting revolution and pledging closer relations with Great Britain. . . Pioneers by court order, Australia's 1st settlers (exiled British convicts) stepped ashore 130 yrs ago (1824). . . 115th anniv (1839) b of Frances Willard, 1st pres of W C T U. . . 30 yrs ago (1924) the 1st round-the-world airplane flight ended, 175 days and 26,103 mi's after take-off.

**Sep 29—Michaelmas Day** (Feast of St Michael the Archangel). . . 165 yrs ago (1789) the U S Gov't ok'd its 1st pensions—to disabled veterans of the Revolutionary War.

**Sep 30—Feast of St Jerome** (Jerome, a 4th Century Church scholar, was the 1st to translate the Bible into Latin—his "Vulgate" or "People's" Bible is still the official Catholic text). . . Canadian football may be the only variety available on many tv screens this fall, but the 1st football telecast 15 yrs ago (1939) featured home talent in a N Y stadium.

**Oct 1—Starting the decline of** handwriting from Spencerian to scrawl, the 1st postcard appeared in Austria 85 yrs ago (1869). . . 20 yrs ago (1934) Olivet (Mich) College became the 1st to scrap the time-honored "report card," discarding traditional collegiate grades and credits system.

**Oct 2—Nat'l Newspaperboy Day** (Paper-hawking, a notoriously low-paying job, claims it pays off in character-building: advocates point to former newsboys Pres Eisenhower, ex-Presidents Harry S Truman and Herbert Hoover). . . 85th anniv (1869) b of Mohandas (Mahatma) Gandhi, India's great Hindu nationalist and pacifist.

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## "Of all things!"

It was 250 yrs ago this wk that the galley, *Clique Ports*, on a privateering expedition, put in at a group of islands some 300 mi's off the coast of Chile. There the sailing mate, Alexander Selkirk (or Selcraig) had a dispute with Captain Stradling and, at his own request, was put ashore.

Selkirk spent 4 yrs and 4 mo's on *Mas a Tierra* (i.e. "the largest island"). He was rescued by another privateer and 10 yrs later died at sea. His jnl, kept thru the solitary yrs, became a chance discovery of novelist Daniel De Foe, who drew liberally upon it for his delightful narrative, *Robinson Crusoe*, which, incidentally, has a 235th anniv this fall.

Probably Selkirk owed his life, during this period, to a small flock of goats roaming the island. They provided food, milk and some protective apparel. How the goats came to be there is anyone's guess, but presumably they were descendants of domestic animals abandoned by earlier adventurers.

Now *Mas a Tierra* comes again into the news. Last month the Pan-American Union, from its offices in Washington, rep'ted that the island is rapidly disappearing. This condition, it seems, is chargeable to the goats. In the two and a half centuries since Selkirk's time they have greatly increased in number. They have now consumed most of the island's vegetation. So the barren soil is dropping off into the Pacific.

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## RESOURCES—25

A survey of the relationship of the U S and Canada reveals the unescapable fact that, for the long pull, the U S's need of Canada and Canadian friendship is greater than Canada's need for the U S. . . In establishing itself as the greatest power in the free world, the U S has exhausted most of the natural resources on which its power has been built. Canada, on the other hand, possesses a treasure trove of wealth which cannot be matched in the Western world. — LESLIE ROBERTS, *Canada: The Golden Hinge* (Harrap, England).

## SAFETY—Safe Driving—26

A sign erected by the Kyle, Tex. Methodist Church, after many accidents near by, reads: "The Sabbath was intended as a day to meditate on the hereafter—not to get there."—*Bakers Review*.

## SPEECH—27

We are all blind until we see

That in the human plan

No speech is worth the making, if

It does not make the man.

Why build these fine forensic gems

If man unbuilted goes?

In vain he builds his speech, unless

The builder also grows.

—(Apologies to EDWIN MARKHAM)  
*Toastmaster*.

## SPIRITUAL VALUES—28

I think that the element that ties our various countries together is our sense of spiritual values. This is the one thing that, universally, people are in accord with.—Dr LILLIAN GILBRETH, *Faith Today*.

### TELEVISION—29

TV today is largely a time-killer and a time-waster. Surely the technical marvel of tv, the greatest and most powerful method of mass communication ever devised by man, deserves better treatment than this. To debase this potentially magnificent medium by insistence on filling the air with cheap humor, cheap quiz shows and cheap gimmicks, masquerading as entertainment, is like playing honky-tonk tunes on a Stradivarius violin. — HENRY SALOMON, NBC-TV documentary producer.

### WAR—Peace—30

I have not much sympathy with those who regard the bomb as more wicked than previous methods of warfare. From the time of bows and arrows onwards, warfare has always been as wicked as people knew how to make it. . . The attempt to prohibit this or that weapon in the hope that war may remain an agreeable pastime is futile, and is inspired, in some, by dislike of perpetual peace, which has become the only alternative to complete disaster.—BERT-RAND RUSSELL, "A Prescription For the World," *Saturday Review*, 8-28-'54.

### WOMEN—31

Of 451 major job categories listed by the U S Gov't, women now have a foothold in 448.—*Bakers Review*.

### WORLD RELATIONS—32

When individuals display a tendency to homicidal lunacy you can lock them up. When nations do so you can only reason with them.—CYRIL FALLS, *Illustrated London News*.

## In Brief

The 450 gondoliers in Venice are troubled about their troubled waters. Speeding motorboats have made canals unsafe for the hand-propelled variety. Their spokesman urges a subway in Venice to eliminate need for motor craft. "It could be handled," he suggests, "by loans from America."

The new trend in trade ass'ns is to app't a full-time salaried president (rather than an exec sec'y) to conduct affairs of the group. The Sales Executives have had such an office for several yrs. Now the Nat'l Industrial Advertisers Ass'n is following suit. Thought is that title of "President" is more impressive; he can command more recognition than a sec'y. . . Pres Eisenhower's pen-chant for "briefing" from his gov't officials may have impressed school authorities in Lincoln, R I. Each family sending a child to school for 1st time this fall is to receive a book giving school rules and schedules.

If you'd care to have a turn-of-the century wall-type telephone (golden oak box with hand crank) there's a dealer in Houston who will supply same, at \$27.50. You can't actually "call" anybody over the set-up—but the bell rings like mad. . . Drought has damaged the broom-corn crop. Forecast: more plastic bristles in next yr's new brooms. . . A Phila scout rep'ts that marijuana smokers may now have their choice between king-size and regular.

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# Good Stories.....

you can use

At a recent harness race, 3 drivers were involved in a crack-up. Two skilled drivers were hurtled 20 ft thru the air, but miraculously escaped injury. The 3rd was kicked by his own horse and buffeted by 2 others. When the mass of tumbling humans and horses stopped whirling, there was the driver, lying on the track. To all appearances, he was hurt seriously. The horse, whose 4 legs had buckled under him, also lay still.

"Look at that poor horse!" shrieked a woman in the stands. "Look at that poor horse! Isn't it terrible?" The man behind her began to seethe. "What are you shouting about the horse for?" he demanded. "How about the poor driver?"

"I didn't bet on the driver," she said cold-bloodedly. "I bet on the horse."—ARTHUR DALEY, *New York Times*. a

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The elevator was crowded and the operator was about to close the gates when she accidentally stepped on the foot of a very stout and overdressed woman. "You clumsy girl!" snapped the latter. "Do you think my feet were made for a fool to walk on?"

The girl gazed at her for a moment and then calmly repl'd, "I should imagine so, madam."—*Montreal Star*. b

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## I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

CLEVELAND AMORY

Everyone knows that there are more people who want to write books than there are people. As proof we offer the following story of one of our favorite extra authors—a young novelist who recently visited the Park Ave studio of Ivan Dmitri, one of our favorite photographers. Looking at the pictures on display, the young author waxed enthusiastically pompous. "Do you know," he said, "I've always wanted to take some pictures like these. Would you lend me your camera sometime?" "Sure," repl'd Dmitri, "on one condition. I've always wanted to write the great American novel. Would you lend me your typewriter sometime?"—*Saturday Review*.

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During a major bus strike in a large city, a pretty young thing was desperately trying to get a ride. A young man happened by and, seeing the pretty girl was having trouble, inquired, "Why don't you try waving a white hankie?"

"Darn it," snapped the girl, "all I'm trying to do is get a ride. I don't want to surrender."—*Pacific Oil-Motive Mag*. c

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Cracks

The deacon was passing the plate in church. A woman hurried in, dropped a coin into the plate, and moved on to a seat. The deacon was at the last pew when the woman came bustling back. She snatched the coin from the plate and started for the door. The deacon stopped her. "Look here," he said, "why do you come in here, drop a coin on the plate, then take it out again?"

The woman shook him off indignantly and exclaimed, "I got into the wrong church!"—*Arkansas Baptist.* d

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In a Washington school a teacher was reviewing the story of the British attack on our nat'l capital in the War of 1812. "With the approach of the British forces," she related, "all congressmen left the city. Of course they came back later."

"Teacher," interrupted one little boy wise in Washington ways, "did they get mileage both ways?"—*United Mine Workers Jnl.* e

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A group of safety experts, who set out to find the safest place on earth, have proved with statistics that a cabin on an ocean liner tops the list, with a Pullman berth running a close second. Which has caused one railroad to come up with this slogan: "Stay at home if you must, but remember, you do so at your own risk!"—*Tracks,* hm, Chesapeake and Ohio Ry. f

A fool and his money are usually the result of a former generation's dollars and sense. — DAN BENNETT.

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When a man is completely out of his mind, there's often a woman in it.—A A SCHILLING.

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There's a good reason why some housewives wake up surrounded by work—they went to sleep surrounded by it.—O A BATTISTA.

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Married life is like sitting in the bathtub—once you get used to it, it isn't so hot.—Nicholas Co (Ky) Star.

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Little girls count on their fingers. Big girls count on their legs.—Atlas News, hm, Atlas Auto Finance Co.

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Most people believe in law and order as long as they can lay down the law and give the orders.—Irish Digest.

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Deputy Undersec'y of State Robert Murphy says our defense policy is still one of "massive retaliation." And if we never fight the Reds, we'll talk 'em to death—by massive reiteration. — FLETCHER KNEBEL, Register & Tribune Syndicate.

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### September Song

Let poets sing the joys of  
spring

Or perfect days in June;

Maternity induces me

To pipe another tune.

Instead, I'll praise September  
days;

Who cares if winds grow  
cool?

Tho birds depart, I'm light of  
heart—

My kids are back in school!

—JOYCE CARLILE, *Country  
Gentleman.* g

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A couple who liked unusual  
pets acquired an octopus named  
Elmer, a winsome creature who  
won them over quickly with his  
warm personality. What's more, he  
did the housework (using 8 mops)  
and quickly became an accom-  
plished pianist.

Since he loved music so, the  
couple at Christmas gifted Elmer  
with a Scotch bagpipe, thinking  
he could master the pipes easily.  
With a glad cry, Elmer seized it  
and scurried off to his cellar den.

For days, the couple waited in  
vain to hear music indicating El-  
mer had mastered the instrument.  
Finally the husband called down-  
stairs, “Elmer, what's wrong?  
We've been waiting to hear from  
the bagpipe.”

“It ain't no use,” Elmer called  
back sadly. “She won't say noth-  
ing. All week long I've been try-  
ing to get her to marry me.”—  
OLLIE JAMES, *Cincinnati Enquirer.* h

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The father of the family ap-  
proached the timid young man.  
“Dear monsieur, I'd like to know  
exactly what your intentions are.  
If you are frequenting this house  
on my acc't, you may stop bring-  
ing me cigars, for I don't smoke.  
If you're coming because of my  
wife, you may stop bringing her  
flowers; they give her hay fever,  
and besides, she's married already.  
But if you're coming because of  
my daughter, you may bring me a  
copy of your last income tax re-  
port.”—*Revue de la Pensee Franc-  
aise*, Paris (QUOTE translation). i

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Some students acquire knowl-  
edge, others develop ingenuity and  
resourcefulness. Young Johnson  
was definitely in the latter class.  
One question in his examination  
paper read: “What steps would  
you take in determining the  
height of a bldg, using an aneroid  
barometer?”

To which the young man repl'd:  
“I would lower the barometer by  
a string and measure the string.”  
—*Tit-Bits*, London. j

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Returning to Hollywood, a mo-  
tion picture star told about a  
meeting with Pres Eisenhower.  
When the actor entered the Presi-  
dent's study, he was resting his  
chin in his hands and staring  
moodyly out the window.

“Mr President, you seem trou-  
bled?” said the actor.

“My dear fellow,” replied the  
President, “did you ever have one  
of those miraculous days when ev-  
erything went just right?”—*Wall  
St Jnl.* k

A damsel in a nudist colony  
saw a photo of Marilyn Monroe  
in a Bikini bathing suit and  
hissed: "Clothes horse!"—ERSKINE  
JOHNSON, *Photoplay*. 1



### Back To The Indians

*Shoe manufacturers say footgear  
is going back to the Indians; the  
whole family is buying moccasins  
these days for television lounging.*  
—News item.

In moccasins the redskin ran  
Or stalked his foeman stealthily.  
He roamed the forests, boy and  
man,  
His feet expanding healthily.

The moccasin, his daily shoe,  
Was shaped by hand, a beauty.  
It was the only last he knew,  
Outlasting heavy duty.

Now moccasins again are worn  
But circumstances vary.  
On rocks and stumps they are  
not torn—  
Their wearer's sedentary.

No Indian, though, of early days  
More surely trod the warpath  
Or knew more certainly the ways  
Of near and also far path

Than he who now, intense and  
stark,  
With skill and patience bound-  
less,  
Tracks down his chair, in semi-  
dark,  
And seizes it, quite soundless.

The employment interviewer  
asked him, "And where have you  
recently worked?"

"I was a psychiatrist in a por-  
celain factory."

"I never heard of such a job,"  
said the interviewer. "What did  
you do?"

The peculiar gleam in the man's  
eye was in tune with his ans'r. "I  
took care of the cracked pots."—  
*Lion*. m

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Prospective father-in-law to his  
daughter's young man: "And what  
are your prospects?"

"Oh, pretty good," came the  
cheery reply. "Unless your daugh-  
ter has misled me."—*Great North-  
ern Goat*, hm, Great Northern Ry. n

" "  
Some students at an internat'l  
school in Switzerland were asked  
to write an essay on the elephant.

The Englishman turned in an  
essay illustrated with photographs  
and titled "Elephants I Have  
Shot."

The Frenchman wrote a clear  
and sprightly dissertation "The  
Love Life of the Elephant."

The German took nearly a yr  
to finish his effort. Bound in 3  
vol's, illustrated with diagrams,  
heavy with research and bristling  
with footnotes, it was called "A  
Preliminary Approach to a Study  
of the Elephant: Its Nature, His-  
tory, Development and Future."

The American wrote a piece,  
which he promptly sold to a mag  
at home, entitled, "How to Make  
Modern Furniture out of Elephant  
Tusks and Hides."—VIC FREDER-  
ICKS, *Crackers in Bed* (Frederick  
Fell). o

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## Quote-ettes

JAS DOYLE, Democratic nominee for Gov of Wisconsin, *praising ret'n to local issues in elections*: "Today our farmers are focusing their eyes on the milk check, rather than with suspicion on their child's school teacher. It's a healthy change." 1-Q-T

NASROLLAH ENTEZAM, Iranian diplomat, *defining qualifications for diplomatic post*: "It's not enough to be an idiot; you must have good manners, too." 2-Q-t

Southern Negro sharecropper, asked what his race would do with educational equality: "You can't tell what you don't know or come back from where you haven't been." 3-6-6

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You're doubtless familiar with insurance policies which can be taken out to cover a single flight, train trip, and so on. Now comes a new type of insurance designed to cover holiday junkets. At first, this will be sold in Illinois only (though it will cover trips to points outside the state), but if successful it will soon be available thruout the country.

The policy, which is sold by Continental Casualty Co., offers \$10,000 coverage for death occurring as a result of a holiday accident. Expenses resulting from injuries will be covered up to \$250.

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Nine holidays are covered by the policy. They are New Year's, Lincoln's Birthday, Washington's Birthday, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas. The length of coverage periods will vary, depending on length of each holiday period, but will range from 48 to 96 hrs. For example, since Labor Day comes on Monday, coverage for that holiday will begin at noon Friday and extend to noon Tuesday.

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